

ing under this Act growing out of or based upon any right of claim or loss or proceeds due, arising from or predicated upon any claim for benefits under any policy or contract of insurance issued by such corporation, venue shall lie in the county where the policy holder or beneficiary instituting such suit resides or in the county of the principal office of such corporation.

Sec. 18. Fees. For filing original application for certificate to operate under this Act, each corporation shall pay a filing fee of twenty (\$20.00) dollars, to the Board of Insurance Commissioners. The Board shall also charge a fee of one (\$1.00) dollar per each certificate and permit to do business issued. For filing each annual report the Board shall charge a filing fee of ten (\$10.00) dollars. All of said fees upon receipt shall be paid into the General Fund of the State.

Sec. 19. Exceptions and Exemptions. This Act shall in no wise affect or apply to companies operating as local mutual aids, as fraternal benefit societies, reciprocal exchanges, or to foreign assessment companies operating under any other law in this State, or any other form of insurance other than those corporations carrying on in this State the statewide business of mutually protecting or insuring the lives of their members by assessments made upon their members. The insurance laws of this State shall apply to the corporations operating under this law, except in so far as they may conflict with the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 20. Constitutionality. If any section, subsection, sentence or phrase of this Act is held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Act, it being the intent of the Legislature that such remaining portion shall operate as a valid law.

Sec. 21. Emergency Clause. The fact that the Supreme Court of Texas and the Court of Civil Appeals for the Third Supreme Judicial District of Texas have recently upheld the legality and validity of the charters of certain corporations in this State carrying on a statewide business of mutually protecting or insuring the

lives of their members by assessments upon their members and there is no law upon the statute books regulating or controlling the operation of said corporations, and corporations similarly operating, and said corporations are without adequate supervision of the Board of Insurance Commissioners of the State of Texas, creates an emergency, and imperative public necessity exists that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three separate and several days in each House shall be suspended, and that this bill be placed upon its third reading and final passage, and take effect from and after its passage, and said rule is hereby suspended, and it is so enacted.

#### SEVENTY-SECOND DAY—(Cont'd).

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas,  
May 11, 1933.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to recess, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt.

#### House Bill No. 154.

The question recurred upon the amendment (by Senator Woodruff) to the amendment (by Senator Holbrook) to H. B. No. 154.

Senator Woodruff withdrew the amendment to the amendment.

Senator Holbrook amended his amendment by striking out the word "including" in line 7 of Section 12.

#### House Bill No. 897.

Senator Woodul asked unanimous consent to suspend the regular order of business and take up H. B. No. 897.

Objection was heard.

Senator Woodul moved to suspend the regular order of business and take up H. B. No. 897. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—27.

Beck.	Martin.
Blackert.	Moore.
Cousins.	Murphy.
Duggan.	Neal.
Fellbaum.	Oneal.
Greer.	Pace.
Hornsby.	Parr.

Patton.	Sanderford.
Poage.	Small.
Purl.	Stone.
Rawlings.	Woodruff.
Redditt.	Woodul.
Regan.	Woodward.
Russek.	

Nays—2.

Collie. Holbrook.

Present—Not Voting.

DeBerry.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

The Chair laid before the Senate on its second reading, the following bill:

By Mr. Kayton:

H. B. No. 897, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Texas Rehabilitation and Relief Commission for the purpose of administering Federal and/or State funds for employment, rehabilitation and/or relief of the unemployed; providing commission shall cease to exist two years after effective date of Act or at such earlier time as in the opinion of the Governor it may be dispensed with; defining duties of commission; providing for appointment of members of commission, director of commission and employees; providing for establishment of county departments of rehabilitation; providing if any part of this Act is declared unconstitutional, it shall not affect the validity of the remainder, and declaring an emergency."

Read second time.

Committee Amendment No. 1 was read and adopted.

Committee Amendment No. 2 was read.

Senator Purl moved to table the amendment. The motion prevailed.

Senator Woodward sent up the following amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out the words and figures "one hundred thousand" wherever they appear in the bill and insert therein and in lieu thereof the following: "twenty thousand."

WOODWARD,  
COLLIE,  
POAGE.

Read and lost by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Blackert.	Murphy.
Collie.	Oneal.
DeBerry.	Poage.
Duggan.	Purl.
Holbrook.	Regan.
Hornsby.	Small.
Moore.	Woodward.

Nays—15.

Beck.	Patton.
Cousins.	Rawlings.
Fellbaum.	Redditt.
Greer.	Russek.
Martin.	Sanderford.
Neal.	Woodruff.
Pace.	Woodul.
Parr.	

Absent.

Stone.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

Senator Woodward sent up the following amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out of Section 3 the words and figures \$300.00 and insert in lieu thereof \$150.00 and change the words and figures \$250.00 to \$125.00, and change the words and figures \$175.00 to \$125.00, and change the words and figures \$200.00 to \$150.00, and change the words and figures \$150.00 to \$100.00.

WOODWARD,  
COLLIE.

Read and adopted.

Senator Purl sent up the following amendment:

Amend H. B. No. 897, by adding a new section, to read as follows:

No person shall be paid out of any of the funds herein appropriated to pay the salary of any person who is not a bona fide citizen of Texas; neither shall any person be employed whose husband and/or sister, brother, mother, or father, son, or daughter is in the employ of the State government or any political subdivisions thereof.

PURL.

The amendment was read.

Senator Woodward sent up the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend the bill by adding a new section to read as follows:

No person shall be employed in connection with the work contem-

plated by this Act nor shall any person receive any compensation directly or indirectly out of the funds herein appropriated who is related by blood or marriage within the second degree to any other person employed or receiving compensation out of the fund appropriated or who is so related to any officer of the State, whether elected or appointed or who is so related to the head of any department of the State or to any member of the Legislature of the State of Texas.

WOODWARD.

The substitute was read.

**Message From the Governor.**

Executive Department,  
Austin, Texas, May 11, 1933.  
To the Texas State Senate:

I ask the advice and consent of the Senate in the following appointments for the next ensuing statutory term:

To be Members of Board of Directors of Texas College of Arts and Industries of Kingsville:

Hon. G. A. Parr of Alice, Jim Wells County, Texas.

Hon. Jas. Dougherty of Beeville, Bee County, Texas.

Hon. Richard Ruckman of Karnes City, Karnes County, Texas.

To be Members of State Parks Board:

Hon. Pat M. Neff of Waco, McLennan County, Texas.

Hon. Gus F. Urbantke of Austin, Travis County, Texas.

To be Members of Board of Managers of North Texas Junior Agricultural, Mechanical and Industrial College of Arlington:

Hon. O. O. Touchstone of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas.

Hon. W. P. McLean Jr., of Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas.

Hon. Thomas Spruance of Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas.

Hon. S. R. Yates of Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas.

Hon. P. L. Coulter of Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas.

All of whom have been approved by the Board of Directors of Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Respectfully submitted,

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,  
Governor of Texas.

Read and referred to Committee on Governor's Nominations.

**Messages From the House.**

Hall of the House of Representatives,  
Austin, Texas, May 11, 1933.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 71 by a viva voce vote.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 21 by a viva voce vote.

The House has passed the following bill and resolutions:

S. J. R. No. 16, A joint resolution proposing amendment to Section 1 of Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Providing that taxation of real property shall be equal and uniform; and all property whether owned by natural persons or corporations, other than municipal, shall be taxed in proportion to its value as may be ascertained as provided by law; that the Legislature may make reasonable classification of all property other than real property for the purpose of taxation; providing that the taxation of property in any class shall be equal and uniform; and providing that the Legislature may impose a poll tax and may impose an occupation tax on natural persons and corporations other than municipal, doing business in this State; that it may tax incomes of both natural persons and corporations, other than municipal, except that persons engaged in mechanical and agricultural pursuits shall never be required to pay an occupation tax; exempting two hundred and fifty (\$250.00) dollars worth of household and kitchen furniture belonging to each family in this State; and providing further that the occupation tax levied by any county, city or town for any year on persons or corporations pursuing any profession or business shall not exceed one-half of the tax levied by the State for the same period.

(With amendments.)

S. B. No. 454, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Subdivision 32 of Article 199, Title 8, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, amended by Acts 1931, Forty-second Legislature, First Called Session, page 27, Chapter 14, Section

1, relating to the district court for the Thirty-second Judicial District so as to exclude Howard County and to change the date of convening the district court in the counties of the Thirty-second Judicial District of Texas; Subdivision 70 of Article 199, Title 8, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, as amended by Acts 1929, Forty-first Legislature, page 50, Chapter 19, relating to the district court for the Seventieth Judicial District of the State of Texas so as to include Howard County in the Seventieth Judicial District and exclude Andrews County; and to change the dates of convening of the district court in the counties of the Seventieth Judicial District; Subdivision 109 of Article 199, Title 8, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, as created by Acts 1929, Forty-first Legislature, Regular Session, page 50, Chapter 19, relating to the creation of the 109th Judicial District of the State of Texas so as to include Andrews County in the 109th Judicial District, and to change the date of convening the district court in the counties of the 109th Judicial District; validating all process, writs, bonds, and recognizances of every kind and character heretofore issued or entered into, and all grand and petit jurors selected and drawn under the existing laws of the various counties affected by this Act, and describing that same shall be returnable and said jurors served for the next term of court in the various counties affected after the taking effect of this Act; providing that this Act shall be effective August 1, 1933; providing that if any term of court shall be in session in any of the counties affected by this Act, the same shall continue in session until adjournment of the term, and thereafter the terms of court in such county shall be held in conformity with this Act; providing for the repeal of all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."

(With amendments.)

H. C. R. No. 83, Authorizing the State Comptroller to pay additional salaries to employees of certain State institutions.

H. C. R. No. 84, Providing for the disposition by the State Treasurer of certain moneys secured for the ex-

change of mutilated and foreign moneys.

H. S. R. No. 167, Extending an invitation to the State Senate to meet with the House of Representatives Thursday, May 11, 1933, at 7:30 p. m., to hear the mayors and county judges of the State discuss measures pertaining to securing funds for welfare relief.

S. C. R. No. 65, Authorizing the State Auditor to make an audit of the investment and securities held for the benefit of the Permanent School Fund of the State of Texas.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE SNOW PHINNEY,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Hall of the House of Representatives,  
Austin, Texas, May 11, 1933.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has adopted the free conference committee report on H. C. R. No. 71 by a viva voce vote.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE SNOW PHINNEY,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

#### Resolutions Signed.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt, gave notice of signing, and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read, the following resolutions:

S. C. R. No. 65.

H. C. R. No. 21.

#### Invitation Accepted.

On motion of Senator Redditt, the Senate accepted the invitation of the House for a joint session tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

#### Recess.

On motion of Senator Russek, the Senate, at 12:10 o'clock p. m., recessed until 2 o'clock p. m. by the following vote:

Yeas—17.

Cousins.	Neal.
DeBerry.	Pace.
Duggan.	Parr.
Fellbaum.	Patton.
Greer.	Redditt.
Martin.	Regan.
Murphy.	Russek.

Sanderford. Woodul.  
Stone.

Nays—11.

Blackert. Purl.  
Collie. Rawlings.  
Holbrook. Small.  
Hornsby. Woodruff.  
Oneal. Woodward.  
Poage.

Absent.

Beck. Moore.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

After Recess.

The Senate met at 2 o'clock p. m., pursuant to recess, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt.

#### House Bill No. 897.

The question recurred upon the pending amendment to H. B. No. 897.

Senator Sanderford sent up the following amendment to the substitute:

Amend Woodward substitute by adding the following: "That this provision shall not apply to a relative of a State Department Head whose salary is \$2000.00 or less."

SANDERFORD.

The amendment to the substitute was read.

Senator Woodward moved to table the amendment to the substitute. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Duggan. Purl.  
Holbrook. Small.  
Collie. Woodruff.  
Hornsby. Woodul.  
Murphy. Woodward.  
Oneal.

Nays—11.

Beck. Poage.  
Blackert. Redditt.  
Greer. Russek.  
Neal. Sanderford.  
Pace. Stone.  
Parr.

Present—Not Voting.

Fellbaum.

Absent.

Cousins. Patton.  
DeBerry. Rawlings.  
Martin. Regan.  
Moore.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

The substitute was adopted.

The amendment as substituted was adopted.

Senator Poage sent up the following amendment:

Amend House Bill No. 897 by striking out the words and figures, "\$100,000.00" wherever they appear in Section 5 and by inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "\$25,000.00" and by adding to the end of Section 5 the following words: "But in no event shall any of the above sums be used for the purpose of securing any technical reports which might be supplied by any existing department of State government and the Highway Commission of Texas, the State Reclamation Engineer, the State Water Board, the State Forester, all State educational institutions and all other departments and agencies of State government are hereby instructed and required and it is made their duty to furnish all such information and data and to provide all technical reports desired concerning any matter under the control of such department."

POAGE.

The amendment was read.

Senator Sanderford moved to table the amendment. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Beck. Patton.  
Blackert. Rawlings.  
Cousins. Redditt.  
Fellbaum. Russek.  
Neal. Sanderford.  
Pace. Stone.  
Parr. Woodward.

Nays—14.

Collie. Oneal.  
Duggan. Poage.  
Greer. Purl.  
Holbrook. Regan.  
Hornsby. Small.  
Moore. Woodruff.  
Murphy. Woodward.

Absent.

DeBerry.

Martin.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

The Chair voted "Yea."

Senator Purl sent up the following amendment:

Amend by striking out \$100,000 and inserting \$40,000.

PURL.

Read and lost by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Collie.

Oneal.

DeBerry.

Poage.

Duggan.

Purl.

Holbrook.

Regan.

Hornsby.

Small.

Moore.

Woodruff.

Murphy.

Woodward.

Nays—14.

Blackert.

Patton.

Cousins.

Rawlings.

Fellbaum.

Redditt.

Greer.

Russek.

Neal.

Sanderford.

Pace.

Stone.

Parr.

Woodul.

Absent.

Beck.

Martin.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

Senator Purl sent up the following amendment:

Amend by striking out \$100,000 and inserting \$50,000.

PURL.

Read and adopted.

Senator Woodward sent up the following amendment:

Amend by adding a new section to read as follows:

It shall be the duty of the Commission through the chief auditor to make monthly statements, duly itemized as to all moneys expended from this appropriation showing to whom paid and for what said money was expended which statement shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State and a copy with the State Comptroller.

WOODWARD.

Read and adopted.

Senator Poage sent up the following amendment:

Amend H. B. No. 897 Sec. 5 by adding thereto the following words:

"But in no event shall any of the above sums be used for the purpose of securing any technical reports which might be supplied by any existing department of State government and the Highway Commission of Texas. The State Reclamation Engineer, the State Water Board, the State Forester, all State educational institutions and all other departments and agencies of State government are hereby instructed and required and it is made their duty to furnish all such information and data and to provide all technical reports desired concerning any matter under the control of such department."

POAGE.

Read and adopted.

The bill was passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Woodul the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and H. B. No. 897 was put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—28.

Beck.

Parr.

Collie.

Patton.

Cousins.

Poage.

DeBerry.

Purl.

Duggan.

Rawlings.

Fellbaum.

Redditt.

Greer.

Regan.

Holbrook.

Russek.

Hornsby.

Sanderford.

Moore.

Small.

Murphy.

Stone.

Neal.

Woodruff.

Oneal.

Woodul.

Pace.

Woodward.

Nays—1.

Blackert.

Absent.

Martin.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

Read third time and finally passed by the following vote:

## Yeas—24.

Beck.	Poage.
Cousins.	Purl.
Duggan.	Rawlings.
Fellbaum.	Redditt.
Greer.	Regan.
Martin.	Russek.
Moore.	Sanderford.
Neal.	Small.
Oneal.	Stone.
Pace.	Woodruff.
Parr.	Woodul.
Patton.	Woodward.

## Nays—6.

Blackert.	Holbrook.
Collie.	Hornsby.
DeBerry.	Murphy.

## Absent.

Hopkins.

## Personal Privilege.

Senator Greer addressed the Senate on a point of personal privilege.

## Request to Introduce Bill.

Senator Greer asked unanimous consent to introduce a bill on congressional redistricting.

Objection was heard.

Senator Greer moved to suspend the regular order of business and introduce the bill.

Senator Holbrook raised the point of order that this was House Bill Day, and that a House bill was pending and could not be displaced for this purpose.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt, held that it was in order to make the motion to introduce a bill.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

## Yeas—18.

Blackert.	Parr.
Cousins.	Patton.
Greer.	Poage.
Hornsby.	Purl.
Moore.	Redditt.
Murphy.	Small.
Neal.	Stone.
Oneal.	Woodul.
Pace.	Woodward.

## Nays—8.

Collie.	Fellbaum.
Duggan.	Holbrook.

Martin.	Regan.
Rawlings.	Woodruff.

Present—Not Voting.

DeBerry.

Absent.

Beck.

Sanderford.

Russek.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

(25 votes required.)

## Message from the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,  
Austin, Texas, May 11, 1933.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 5326 of the Revised Civil Statutes providing for forfeiture of public school land on non-payment of any installment of principal or interest and manner of making forfeitures and for further sale and providing for reinstatement within one year from date of forfeiture by purchasers, etc."

H. B. No. 5, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that no lease of any school or asylum land in which the State has a reservation of mineral shall be effective until filed in the General Land Office; and to provide that said lease shall be void unless it shall state the true considerations and terms and be accompanied by an affidavit by the owner that the terms and consideration in said lease are true and correct."

H. B. No. 536, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2846 and Article 2854, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925." (Relating to the printing, engraving, and binding and furnishing of textbooks.)

H. B. No. 555, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2350, of Title 44, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, as amended by Act of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 135, Section 1, and as amended by Act of the Fortieth Legislature, page 435, Chapter 490, Section 1, and as amended by Act of the For-

tieth Legislature, First Called Session, page 138, Chapter 46, Section 1, relating to the salaries of county commissioners; repealing all laws, both general or special, and parts of laws, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,  
LOUISE SNOW PHINNEY,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

#### House Bills Referred.

H. B. No. 4 referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

H. B. No. 5, referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

H. B. No. 536, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 555, referred to Committee on State Affairs.

#### Message from the Governor.

Austin, Texas, May 11, 1933.  
To the Forty-third Legislature:

I am transmitting to you herewith copy of a telegram which I have received from Honorable Robert Fechner, Director of Emergency Conservation Work, which is self-explanatory. Projects proposed for work in Texas were submitted to the Director at Washington under date of April 29th, and consideration of these projects is being withheld pending action by the Texas Legislature as outlined in the telegram above referred to. Unless approval is given for work projects in Texas, those eligible for places in the reforestation camps will be transferred to other States.

Respectfully,  
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,  
Governor of Texas.

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Miriam A. Ferguson.

Governor of Texas, Austin, Texas.

Before approving emergency conservation work projects on State, county and municipally owned land President desires assurance that you will urge the State Legislature if now in session or if not at its next succeeding session to enact legislation providing that if as a result of the work done the State derives a direct profit from the sale of the land or its products the proceeds will be divided equally between the

State and the Federal government until the State shall have paid for the work done at the rate of one dollar per man per day for the time spent on projects subject to a maximum of three dollars per acre. President desires that no work shall be done on privately owned land except as may be necessary in the public interest for regional or statewide forest protection against fire insects and disease and/or simple flood control measures to arrest gully erosion and flash runoff at headwaters of mountain streams. Where public interest demands work on privately owned land for these purposes the President requests that it be conditioned on State assuming responsibility for maintenance of works by landowners or otherwise and obtaining contracts with the landowners by which the State reserves the right to remove at its option and without recompense to landowner any structures or other things of removable values which may result from the work done including products of trees planted to arrest erosion. Please wire at your earliest convenience whether you agree to this plan.

ROBERT FECHNER,  
Director of Emergency Conservation Work.

Referred to Committee on Federal Relations.

#### Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,  
Austin, Texas, May 11, 1933.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has adopted the conference committee report on S. J. R. No. 3, by a vote of 112 yeas and 10 nays.

Respectfully submitted,  
LOUISE SNOW PHINNEY,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

#### House Bill No. 154.

The question recurred upon the pending amendment to H. B. No. 154.

Senator Holbrook corrected the amendment by striking out the words "and other" in line 1 of paragraph 3 of Section 12, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "oil."

Senator Redditt sent up the following amendment to the amendment:



Amend pending amêndment by the Senator from Galveston to H. B. No. 154, by adding after the words "railroad company," in line 2, in paragraph 3, the following:

"Dock companies, wharf companies, port warehouse companies, port cotton compress companies"

and by adding after the words "pipeline companies," in line 2, paragraph 4, of said amendment, the following:

"Dock companies, wharf companies, port warehouse companies, port cotton compress companies."

REDDITT.

The amendment to the amendment was read.

Senator Holbrook moved to table the amendment to the amendment. The motion prevailed.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

DeBerry.	Oneal.
Duggan.	Parr.
Holbrook.	Poage.
Hornsby.	Rawlings.
Martin.	Sanderford.
Murphy.	Woodruff.
Neal.	Woodward.

Nays—13.

Beck.	Redditt.
Blackert.	Regan.
Cousins.	Russek.
Greer.	Small.
Pace.	Stone.
Patton.	Woodul.
Purl.	

Absent.

Fellbaum. Moore.

(Pair Recorded.)

Senator Collie (present) who would vote yea, with Senator Hopkins (absent) who would vote nay.

Senator Poage moved to reconsider the vote by which his amendment sent up by Senator Woodruff last night, was tabled. The motion was lost.

Senator Pace sent up the following amendment:

Amend H. B. No. 154, page 5. Section 11, by striking out Section 11 thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Sec. 11. Amend Article 6032, Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, as amended by the Acts of 1931 of the

Forty-second Legislature, First Called Session, page 46, Chapter 26, Section 3, so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Art. 6032. There is hereby levied a tax of one-fourth of one cent per barrel of forty-two (42) standard gallons of crude petroleum produced within this State, which shall be in addition to and collected in the same manner as the occupation production tax herein levied. Producers of crude petroleum are hereby required to make reports of production in the same manner and under the same penalties as for the occupation production tax. The tax thus collected shall be paid into the State Treasury as other revenues, and shall be paid out on warrants as other funds. The funds derived from this tax shall be used and are hereby appropriated for the administration of this law and all other laws relating to conservation of oil and/or gas and for enforcement of pipeline regulations and rates. Any yearly excess of the tax over and above the requirements of the Commission shall become a part of the general revenues of the State.

PACE.

The amendment was read.

Senator Woodward moved the previous question, on the pending amendment and the passage of the bill to third reading. The motion prevailed.

The amendment was lost.

The bill was passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Holbrook, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and H. B. No. 154 was put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—29.

Beck.	Parr.
Blackert.	Patton.
Collie.	Poage.
Cousins.	Purl.
DeBerry.	Rawlings.
Duggan.	Redditt.
Fellbaum.	Regan.
Greer.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Sanderford.
Hornsby.	Small.
Martin.	Stone.
Moore.	Woodruff.
Murphy.	Woodul.
Neal.	Woodward.
Pace.	

Nays—1.

Oneal.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

Read third time.

Senator Woodruff sent up the following amendment:

Amend H. B. No. 154, by adding after the word "tanks" and before the semicolon, line 59, page 2, the following:

"without deductions for base sediment, overage, loss in handling or for any other purpose."

WOODRUFF.

Read and adopted by unanimous consent.

Senator Holbrook received unanimous consent to amend the caption to conform to the body of the bill.

Senator Woodruff sent up the following amendment:

Amend H. B. No. 154 by adding a new section numbered and reading as follows:

Section 11a. That Subdivision 23 of Article 7047, Chapter 1, Title 122, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, as amended by Acts 1931, Forty-second Legislature, Regular Session, page 355, Chapter 212, Section 1, be and the same is hereby amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Subdivision 23. Coin Operated Vending Machines: From every owner, manager, or exhibitor of every coin operated phonograph, electrical piano, electrical batter, graphophone, weighing machines, target pistol, miniature golf machine, miniature football machine, miniature baseball machine, miniature race track stereoscopic machine, gum machine, candy machine, cigarette machine, handkerchief machine, sandwich machine, or any other class or kind of machine, whether enumerated or not, where a fee is charged, which is used for the purpose of amusement, entertainment or for vending commodities, merchandise, confections, or service of any kind and which is operated by coins or metal slugs or tokens similar to coins where such fee is in excess of five (5) cents, an annual tax of ten dollars (\$10.00), on each machine; where such fee is five (5) cents, an annual tax of five dollars (\$5.00), on each machine;

and where such fee is one (1) cent, an annual occupation tax of one dollar for each machine; provided that from every owner, manager, or exhibitor of every coin operated marble machine, marble table machine, marble shooting table, or marble machine of any description, whether enumerated or not, where a fee is charged, whether used for the purpose of amusement, entertainment, or for vending commodities, merchandise, confections, or services of any kind, and which is operated by coin or metal slugs or tokens similar to coins or metal slugs where such fee is one (1) cent or more, an annual occupation tax of ten dollars (\$10.00) for each machine; provided that the provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to pay telephones and gas meters which are operated with coins. It shall be unlawful to operate, show or exhibit any of the machines or instruments covered by this subdivision without having annexed or attached thereto where same is plainly visible, the tax receipt covering such machine or instrument for the current year for which same is operated, shown or exhibited; provided that all funds derived from the occupation tax on such marble machines shall be placed to the credit of the State Available School Fund.

Sec. 2. The fact of the crowded condition of the calendar creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity demanding the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring that all bills be read on three several days in each House, and said rule is hereby suspended, and this Act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its final passage; and it is so enacted.

WOODRUFF.

The amendment was read.

Senator Rawlings moved the previous question on the amendment and the final passage of the bill. The motion prevailed.

The amendment was adopted by unanimous consent.

The bill was finally passed by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Beck.  
Cousins.  
DeBerry.

Duggan.  
Fellbaum.  
Greer.

Holbrook.	Rawlings.
Hornsby.	Redditt.
Martin.	Regan.
Moore.	Russek.
Murphy.	Sanderford.
Neal.	Small.
Pace.	Stone.
Parr.	Woodruff.
Patton.	Woodul.
Poage.	Woodward.

Nays—2.

Collie.                      Oneal.

Absent.

Blackert.

(Pair Recorded.)

Senator Purl (present) who would vote nay, with Senator Hopkins (absent) who would vote yea.

#### Free Conference Granted.

On motion of Senator Beck, the Senate granted the request of the House for a free conference committee on H. B. No. 897.

The Chair appointed the following on the part of the Senate:

Beck, Woodward, Pace, Poage and Martin.

#### Messages From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,  
Austin, Texas, May 11, 1933.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

S. B. No. 440, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 450, 451 and 539 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas; providing for the liquidation of solvent banks through the Banking Commissioner of Texas; providing for procedure for such liquidation; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 292, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2832, Title 49, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 as amended by S. B. No. 47, approved August 12, 1931, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith; and declaring an emergency."

The House has refused to concur in Senate amendments to H. B. No. 897 and requests the appointment of a conference committee to adjust the

differences between the two Houses. The following are appointed on the part of the House:

Kayton, Stinson, Huddleston, Baker and Davidson.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE SNOW PHINNEY,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Hall of the House of Representatives,  
Austin, Texas, May 11, 1933.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has adopted the conference committee report on S. B. No. 127 by a vote of 84 yeas, 26 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE SNOW PHINNEY,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

#### House Bill No. 844.

The Chair laid before the Senate on its second reading by unanimous consent the following bill:

H. B. No. 844, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting certain practices in the production of oil and gas within this State; defining the term 'person,' 'governmental agent,' 'governmental agency,' and 'oil property'; providing for the accurate measurement and accurate recording daily by all producers of oil and gas of the amount of daily production before relinquishing possession or control thereof by the producer; etc., and declaring an emergency."

The committee report recommending that the bill be not printed was adopted.

Read second time.

Senator Regan sent up the following amendments:

Amend H. B. No. 844 by adding a new section thereto immediately following Section 10, such new section to be known as 10-a and to read as follows:

"Sec. 10-a. In all suits or actions involving the enforcement of the conservation laws of this State or of the orders of the Railroad Commission affecting the conservation of the natural resources of this State, all Texas Rangers and all agents of the Railroad Commission of Texas shall have the power and authority to serve any civil or judicial process, citation, notice, warrant, subpoena or writ (including

process of every character in contempt proceedings) just the same and as fully so as any sheriff or constable of a county to whom the process, writ, notice, citation, subpoena or warrant might be directed could within the limits of his own county. Such rangers and such agents of the Commission may serve such process anywhere within the State of Texas although it may be directed to 'any sheriff or constable' of a particular county. They shall make the same return as any other officer, sign their name and add thereunder (in the case of a State Ranger) the title of 'State Ranger' and (in case of an agent of the Commission) the words, 'Agent, Railroad Commission of Texas,' which shall be sufficient to make it valid if the writ is otherwise properly made out. No fees of any kind shall be allowed such State Ranger or Agents of the Railroad Commission, other than their regular salary or compensation."

REGAN,  
ONEAL.

Read and adopted.

Amend the caption of H. B. No. 844 so as to conform to the new section known as 10-a, by adding after the word "charged" in line 22 of page 2, the following:

"And providing for the service of process in all suits or actions involving enforcement of the conservation laws or the orders of the Railroad Commission by authorizing all Texas Rangers and all agents of the Commission to serve any civil or judicial process as effectively as a sheriff or constable of a county could within the limits of his own county; and providing for the execution of such process anywhere within the State of Texas and for the making of a return by such Ranger or agent; and providing that no fees shall be allowed such Rangers or agents other than their regular salary or compensation."

REGAN,  
ONEAL.

Read and adopted.

Amend H. B. No. 844 by adding a new section immediately following Section 7-a, to be known as Section 7-b, to read as follows:

"It shall be unlawful for any person to corruptly give, offer or promise to give any member of the Governmental Agency, Chief Supervisor, Deputy Supervisor, or any agent or employee thereof, any gifts or gratuity with intent to influence any such officer or person in his acts or conduct with respect to:

(A) Enforcing any provision of the law applicable to oil and gas in force at the time within the State of Texas;

(B) Enforcing any order, rule, or regulation of the Governmental Agency made under the power and authority given to it;

(C) Or the discharge of any duty by any such officer or person imposed upon him by the oil and gas laws, orders, rules and regulations duly promulgated and in force at such time with the State of Texas."

REGAN.

Read and adopted.

Amend H. B. No. 844, by adding a new section to be known as Section 14, to read as follows:

"It shall be unlawful for the governmental agency, any member thereof, or the chief supervisor of oil and gas, or any deputy supervisor, or any agent or employee of such governmental agency to employ any person to aid and assist in carrying out and enforcing the provisions of the law applicable to oil and gas in Texas; or to aid and assist in enforcing of any rule, order or regulation duly promulgated, unless such person so employed, except as to clerical work, which is here declared to include typewriting and ordinary book-keeping, shall have had at least 12 months' experience in such work or similar work to which he may be assigned; and provided further that should any employee or employees now employed by said governmental agency be unable to meet the foregoing qualifications, then it shall be unlawful for said governmental agency, or any member thereof, chief supervisor of oil and gas, or any deputy supervisor, agent or employee who may have employed such person to fail to discharge such person or persons within 30 days from the time this Act takes effect."

REGAN.

The amendment was read.

Senator Pace moved to table the amendment. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pace sent up the following amendment:

Amend the caption to conform to the body of the bill.

PACE.

Read and adopted.

The bill was passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Pace, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and H. B. No. 844 was put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Beck.	Pace.
Blackert.	Parr.
Collie.	Patton.
Cousins.	Poage.
DeBerry.	Purl.
Duggan.	Rawlings.
Fellbaum.	Redditt.
Greer.	Regan.
Holbrook.	Russek.
Hornsby.	Sanderford.
Martin.	Small.
Moore.	Stone.
Murphy.	Woodruff.
Neal.	Woodul.
Oneal.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

Read third time and finally passed by the following vote:

Yeas—29.

Beck.	Pace.
Blackert.	Parr.
Collie.	Patton.
Cousins.	Poage.
DeBerry.	Purl.
Duggan.	Rawlings.
Fellbaum.	Redditt.
Greer.	Regan.
Holbrook.	Russek.
Hornsby.	Sanderford.
Martin.	Small.
Moore.	Stone.
Murphy.	Woodruff.
Neal.	Woodward.
Oneal.	

Absent.

Woodul.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

### Conference Committee Report.

Senator Small sent up the following free conference committee report to be printed in the Journal:

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, May 8, 1933.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Hon. Coke Stevenson, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: We, your Conference Committee, appointed to adjust the differences between the House and the Senate on

H. B. No. 218, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the Land Commissioner to ascertain and determine the amount of bonus and rental money due the State, and by whom due, under the operation, terms and conditions of Chapter 81, printed Acts of the Second Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, etc."

Beg leave to report that we recommend the adoption of this report and the final passage by both houses of the bill hereto attached.

REGAN,  
SMALL,  
COUSINS,  
COLLIE,  
WOODRUFF.

On the part of the Senate.

JONES,  
WAGSTAFF,  
McGREGOR.

On the part of the House.

H. B. No. 218.

### A BILL

#### To Be Entitled

An Act authorizing and directing the Commissioner of the General Land Office to ascertain the amount of bonus and rental money due the State as result of the execution of oil and gas leases by owners of the soil as agents of the State under the provisions of the Relinquishment Act; to determine who owes money to the State under the provisions of said Act; and providing that the debtors when so ascertained shall pay said debt to the State in cash; providing if the debtor makes affidavit of his inability to pay in cash he may settle said obligation by paying one-twentieth in cash and executing a note to the State for the balance due in twenty equal annual payments with interest at the rate of four per cent per an-

num, said note being payable to the State; providing that if it be held that the Legislature may not grant an extension of time to those unable to pay in cash without granting the same extension to those able to pay, that the extension would be granted to all; providing that no lien held by the State shall be released or no liability altered or changed; providing that all notes must be executed on or before October 1, 1934; providing that no suit shall be instituted to collect bonuses and rentals due under the Relinquishment Act if the debtor executes the note on or before October 1, 1934; providing that all suits must be brought within five years unless it is alleged that the affidavit of inability to pay is false or fraudulent; providing the Act shall not apply to bonuses and rentals on any land producing oil or gas or that has produced oil or gas, or that may be producing oil or gas in commercial quantities on the effective date of this Act or to indebtedness due the State accruing subsequent to the effective date of the Act for debts due for oil or gas or for bonuses and rentals where the amount has not been paid to the land owner but held in escrow or suspense; providing that the provisions of this Act shall not apply to obligations of lessees against whom suit was pending on April 1, 1933; providing that if any portion of the Act be held unconstitutional, same shall not affect remaining portions, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of the General Land Office to ascertain and determine the amounts of bonus and rental money due the State and by whom due as a result of the execution of oil and gas leases by owners of the soil as agents of the State under the provisions of the Relinquishment Act. The term "Relinquishment Act," as used in this Act, refers to and includes Chapter 81, printed Acts of the Second Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature and the amendment thereof enacted by the First Called Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature.

Sec. 2. When the Land Commissioner has ascertained and determined the amounts due the State and by whom due, as in Section 1 of this Act provided, the debtor shall pay said debt in cash; or if unable to pay said debt in cash, the debtor shall file with the Land Commissioner an affidavit to the effect that such debtor is unable to pay such debt in cash, and the debtor upon the filing of such affidavit shall pay one-twentieth (1-20) of the amount in cash and make and execute an obligation to the State for the balance due, which obligation shall provide for the payment of such balance in twenty (20) equal annual payments, the first of which shall be due and payable one (1) year after the date of such obligation and a similar payment each year thereafter until the twenty deferred annual payments have been made. The obligation shall be in the form of a promissory note and shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent (4%) per annum, and such interest shall be payable annually. Principal and interest shall be payable at Austin, Travis County, Texas. All past due principal and interest shall bear interest at the rate of five per cent (5%) per annum. Failure to pay any installment of principal or interest shall, at the option of the State to be exercised by the Attorney General, mature the whole amount of said indebtedness.

Sec. 3. If the courts should hold that the Legislature may not grant an extension of time in which to pay said debts to those unable to pay in cash without granting the same extension upon like terms and conditions to those who are able to pay, then and in that event, it is the intent and purpose of the Legislature in enacting this law that all debts due the State for bonus and rental money arising from the execution of any oil and gas lease under the provisions of the Relinquishment Act may be paid by the debtor executing the obligation as provided in Section 2 of this Act.

Sec. 4. Nothing in this Act shall ever be construed as releasing any lien that the State may now have to secure the indebtedness due the State after the same has been ascer-

tained and determined and the obligation executed, nor shall the liability of any party be changed.

Sec. 5. No debtor, as the term debtor is used in this Act, may pay his debt to the State by the execution of the promissory note unless he does so on or before October 1, 1934.

Sec. 6. No suit may be instituted or maintained by the State for the collection of any debt due the State for bonus and rental money because of the execution of any oil and gas lease under the provisions of the Relinquishment Act until the Land Commissioner has ascertained the amount of such debt and the debtor has had an opportunity to make affidavit of inability to pay, as provided in Section 2 of this Act, or, if after having made such affidavit such debtor has failed to execute the obligation as provided in Section 2 of this Act on or before October 1, 1934; and providing further that no suit may be instituted or maintained for the collection of any such a debt found by the Land Commissioner to be due the State, or for any debt or alleged debt due the State for bonus and rental money under the Relinquishment Act, unless such suit be instituted within five (5) years from and after the date this Act becomes effective, but this limitation shall not apply to the obligation made to the State as provided in Section 2 of this Act, or to any suit for the collection of such debt where the State in its petition alleges that the affidavit of inability to pay made by the debtor is false or fraudulent.

Sec. 7. The terms and provisions of this Act shall not apply to any bonus money or any rental money derived from a lease on any section or part of a section of land producing oil or gas or that has heretofore produced oil and/or gas, or producing oil and gas in commercial or paying quantities at the effective date of this Act, or to any indebtedness due the State which may accrue subsequent to the date this Act becomes effective, or to any debt due the State for oil and gas produced, or to any indebtedness due the State for bonus or rental where such amount has not been paid to the land owner, but has been placed in

escrow or held in suspense by the lessee.

Sec. 8. If any section, clause, provision or sentence in this Act contained should ever be held to be unconstitutional, such holding shall not affect the remaining portions of this Act, it being the intent of the Legislature that effect shall be given to so much of this Act as may be valid, even if a portion of this Act shall be held invalid.

Sec. 9. The provisions of this Act shall not apply to the obligations of any lessee for the collection of which suit was pending in any court of the State on April 1, 1933.

Sec. 10. The fact that the State does not know the amounts due to it from transactions arising under the so-called Relinquishment Act, nor by whom such indebtedness is due, and the further fact that such indebtedness was inadvertently incurred, and because of the present economic stress and strain the debtors should be allowed time in which to pay this indebtedness, constitutes an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule that bills shall be read on three several days in each house shall be suspended, and it is hereby suspended, and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

#### H. J. R. No. 14.

On motion of Senator Duggan, the vote by which H. J. R. No. 14 was finally passed was reconsidered.

Senator Duggan sent up the following amendments:

Amend H. J. R. No. 14, paragraph 3, Section 2 by striking out the following:

"Abolishing the fee system of compensating all district officers and all county officers in counties having a population of twenty thousand (20,000) or more, and"

DUGGAN.

Read and adopted by unanimous consent.

Amend H. J. R. No. 14, page 3 of the enrolled bill by striking out the last sentence in Subdivision B Section 2-a, beginning in line three after the word "office" and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"The commissioners court shall fix the compensation of all district officers whose services are confined to one county except district judges, members of the Legislature, and of all county and precinct officers except the county auditor, determine the number of deputies, assistants, and clerical personnel of all such officers except the county auditor and fix their compensation; provided that the Legislature shall fix the compensation of district judges, the county judge, and the county commissioners and the maximum and minimum of all district, county and precinct officers, and may provide for a county auditor and fix his duties, compensation, and the number and compensation of his assistants."

DUGGAN,  
WOODUL.

The amendment was read.

#### Bill Introduced

Senator Fellbaum moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to permit the introduction of the congressional redistricting bill by Senator Greer this morning. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Collie.	Parr.
Cousins.	Patton.
DeBerry.	Poage.
Duggan.	Purl.
Fellbaum.	Redditt.
Greer.	Regan.
Hornsby.	Russek.
Martin.	Sanderford.
Moore.	Small.
Murphy.	Stone.
Neal.	Woodruff.
Oneal.	Woodward.

Nays—3.

Blackert.	Rawlings.
Holbrook.	

Absent.

Beck.	Woodul.
Pace.	

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

Senator Greer asked unanimous consent to introduce the bill.

Objection was heard.

Senator Greer moved to suspend the rule and permit the bill to be introduced. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Collie.	Parr.
Cousins.	Patton.
DeBerry.	Poage.
Duggan.	Purl.
Fellbaum.	Redditt.
Greer.	Regan.
Hornsby.	Russek.
Moore.	Sanderford.
Murphy.	Small.
Neal.	Stone.
Oneal.	Woodruff.
Pace.	Woodward.

Nays—4.

Blackert.	Martin.
Holbrook.	Rawlings.

Present—Not Voting.

Beck.

Absent.

Woodul.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

The bill is as follows:

By Senator Greer:

S. B. No. 556, A bill to be entitled "An Act to apportion the State of Texas into congressional districts, naming the counties composing the same, and providing for the election of a member of the Congress of the United States from each district, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Read and referred to Committee on Congressional Districts.

#### Senate Simple Resolution No. 110.

Senator Moore sent up the following resolution:

Whereas, The Senate has authorized the Sergeant-at-Arms to renew or replace the Texas Flags now hanging over the President's desk, and

Whereas, The Sergeant-at-Arms and Committee on Contingent Expense are negotiating for replacing said flags, therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate, That if it is found necessary to place new flags in the Senate that the Committee on Contingent Expense be au-



thorized to sell the old flags to best advantage, the money from the sale of the flags to be placed in the general revenue fund of the State.

MOORE.

Read and referred to the Committee on Contingent Expense.

#### Recess.

On motion of Senator Woodward, the Senate, at 6:06 o'clock p. m., recessed until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

#### APPENDIX.

##### Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, May 11, 1933.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. C. R. No. 65 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly enrolled.

GREER, Chairman.

#### Final Disposition of Bills.

##### SUPPLEMENT.

Number of Bill or Resolu- tion	Date Filed	Vote	
		House	Senate
H. B. No. 22	May 10, 1933..... 11:20 a. m.	Yeas 108 Nays 0	Yeas 21 Nays 3
H. B. No. 28	May 10, 1933..... 5:30 p. m.	Yeas 111 Nays 8	Yeas 18 Nays 7
H. B. No. 242	May 10, 1933..... 5:30 p. m.	Passed by viva voce vote	Passed by viva voce vote
S. C. R. No. 62	May 10, 1933..... 4:00 p. m.	Adopted	Adopted

W. W. HEATH, Secretary of State.

#### SEVENTY-SECOND DAY—(Cont'd.)

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas,  
May 12, 1933.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to recess, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt.

#### Senators Excused.

Senators Neal and Russek were excused for the day on account of important business, on motion of Senator Blackert.

#### Bills Introduced.

By unanimous consent, the rule relating to the introduction of general bills after the first 52 days of the session was suspended and consent was granted to introduce the following bills:

By Senator Holbrook:

S. B. No. 557, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation of the sum of Twenty-five Thousand

Dollars (\$25,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of the general revenue of the State of Texas, to pay the contingent expenses of the regular session of the Forty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, providing how accounts may be approved and declaring an emergency."

Read and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Holbrook:

S. B. No. 558, A bill to be entitled "An Act appropriating the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, payable out of the General Revenue Fund, to pay the mileage and per diem of members, and the salaries and per diem of officers and employees, of the Forty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Read and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Redditt:

S. B. No. 559, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that where as a